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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/846,490 Confirmation No. 5397  
Applicant : Eldridge et al.  
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Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT**

To Whom It May Concern:

In response to the Office Action of April 22, 2005, the shorted statutory period for response to which has been extended to August 22, 2005 by the accompanying Petition For Extension Of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are shown in the list of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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